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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, TW

SUBJECT: T-53 AIRCRAFT ENGINE COPRODUCTION

REF: A. CINCPAC 102133Z DEC 75

B. CHMAAG 060401Z DEC 75

C. SECDEF 231509Z OCT 75 (NOTAL)

D. CHMAAG 160802Z OCT 75

E. SECDEF 161316Z MAY 75 (NOTAL)

F. CHMAAG 080804Z MAY 75

G. SECDEF 072109Z FEB 75 (NOTAL)

H. CHMAAG 300803Z JAN 75

I. TAIPEI 6483 (DTG 231044Z OCT 74)

1. ON JANUARY 21, 1975, THE GROC AND AVCO/LYCOMING SIGNED
A CONTRACT TO COPRODUCE 43 T53-701 TURBO-PROP JET ENGINES
IN ADDITION TO THE 80 T53-L13B ENGINES APPROVED FOR CO-
PRODUCTION FOR USE IN THE UH-1H HELICOPTER ALSO BEING
COPRODUCED BY THE GROC AND BELL HELICOPTER. THE ADDITIONAL
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ENGINES ARE TO BE USED IN THE ROC-DESIGNED BASIC

TRAINER, XT-CH-1. IN TAIPEI 6483 OF OCTOBER 23, 1974,
THE COUNTRY TEAM RECOMMENDED AN EXPORT LICENSE BE GRANTED
FOR THIS FOLLOW-ON PROGRAM WHICH WOULD UTILIZE THE SAME
FACILITY AND MANY OF THE SAME MACHINES AND TOOLS USED IN
THE T-52-L13B COPRODUCTION PROGRAM.

2. REFS B, D, F AND H RENEWED THIS REQUEST AND ASKED
FOR STATUS OF CLEARANCE. REFS C, E AND G INDICATED THAT
REQUEST WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION. AS REPORTED REF B
GENERAL SZUTU FU, CHINESE AIR FORCE, HAS MADE A PERSONAL
APPEAL TO THE CHIEF MAAG FOR APPROVAL OF THIS LICENSE IN
ORDER TO START COPRODUCTION PROJECT. THE ROCAF HAS
ALREADY MADE A US\$2.2 DOWNPAYMENT ON THE PROGRAM AND AIR
FRAME PRODUCTION OF THE XT-CH-1 HAS STARTED. THE PLANNED
STARTING DATE FOR ENGINE COPRODUCTION IS MAY 1976 AND
THERE IS A 6-MONTH LEAD TIME FOR PROPER PHASE-IN OF T-53;
THEREFORE, IT IS ALREADY TOO LATE TO MEET THE ORIGINAL
DEADLINES ESTABLISHED FOR THIS PROGRAM.

3. THIS ENTIRE PROGRAM IS BEING PAID FOR BY THE GROC AND
IS VIEWED BY THEM AS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN THEIR OVERALL
EFFORTS TO BECOME MORE SELF-SUFFICIENT. WE HAVE ENCOURAGED
THEM AND WE BELIEVE AS ORIGINALLY STATED OVER A YEAR AGO
THAT APPROVAL SHOULD BE GRANTED FOR THIS LICENSE.

4. WE REALIZE THAT THE LICENSE MAY BE DELAYED BECAUSE
OF A REVIEW OF THE OVERALL MILITARY SALES PROGRAM TO THE
ROC. WHILE WE CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR THIS BASIC POLICY
DECISION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND FULLY EXPECT GUIDELINES
WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE, WE RECOMMEND
THAT ACTION BE TAKEN ON THIS PROGRAM NOW AS A SEPARATE
MATTER IN ORDER TO PERMIT TIMELY IMPLEMENTATION. WE
STRONGLY RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF EXPORT LICENSE ASAP.
PLEASE PROVIDE A DETAILED STATUS REPORT OF ANY CURRENT
PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN ISSUANCE OF THIS LICENSE. POPPLE

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